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DCR Advisory: Microburst/Tornado Impacted Mount Tom State Reservation

The Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) advises residents and visitors to use caution along the Route 141 area of Easthampton, adjacent to Mount Tom State Reservation due to a microburst/tornado that left hundreds of trees uprooted on Wednesday, October 8th. State and local power crews have been working through the daylight hours to remove the debris and restore power along Route 141 in the affected area.

Currently, Christopher Clark Road, the southwest section of Mount Tom State Reservation, is closed from Route 141 to the Visitor's Center and the intersection with Reservation Road. While Christopher Clark Road is closed and the Route 141 entrance to the reservation is gated, DCR advises visitors to not enter this area. Vehicular access to the reservation is possible from the Route 5 entrance, although DCR advises all park visitors to be cautious and not impede any cleanup efforts.

The Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR), an agency of the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs, oversees 450,000 acres of parks and forests, beaches, bike trails, watersheds, dams, and parkways. Led by Commissioner Jack Murray, the agency's mission is to protect, promote, and enhance our common wealth of natural, cultural, and recreational resources. To learn more about DCR, our facilities, and our programs, please visit www.mass.gov/dcr. Contact us at mass.parks@state.ma.us.

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